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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 26 August 2009 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) ☐ entered
- b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

- d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) ☒ entered in part. See explanation below.

The proposed amendment to claims 1 and 3 is not entered because it significantly changed the scope of independent claim and furthermore does not appear to be supported by the instant specification. Specifically, the claim would now limit the body to having only one partition wall having the specified thickness. In addition, the specification does not appear to support a body having only one partition provided with the specified surface roughness.

The proposed amendments in claims 2, 4, 9, 11 are entered because they are grammatical changed that do not change the scope of the claims.

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